

Benjamin S. Kelly House<sup>e</sup>  
Higgins Hollow Road  
Truro  
Barnstable County  
Massachusetts

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Historic American Buildings Survey  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240

Roof - shape, covering Gabled, pitched, modern composition covering. Ridge is parallel to road. Construction of roof not ascertained because not exposed. Probably truss construction, as seen in other houses of this type.

cornice- eaves Wood, box cornice, narrow eaves.

dormers none.

### THE INTERIOR

Floor plans Three bay front, with door on the west and a two window room on the east. Entrance is into a 7 foot wide hallway which has been partly converted into a bathroom. A door leads from this hall to the east room. Back of the east room is a small bed room and back of it is a small buttry. West of these is the original kitchen. To the north of the house is the kitchen ell (modern) and a door leads to this from the original kitchen. 1st fl. clg is 6'-11". The second floor consists of 2 small bedrooms, an open chamber for the stairway, and 2 storage garrets. The ceiling height on the second floor is 6'-0".

Stairways One, from west part of original kitchen to second floor, run is south, over the bath. This has 9 risers, a run of 5'-4".

Flooring 9 to 16" random width pine boards, painted. Very uneven.

Wall and ceiling finish First floor plastered walls and ceilings, with wood wainscot to height of window stool. Second floor has partitions of plastered vertical boards, plastered ceiling.

Doorways and doors 4 panel wood doors.

Trim Mitered molding trim at windows and doors.

Hardware Mostly modern; porcelain door knobs.

Lighting Electric.

Heating Space heater in living room, original kitchen. Fireplaces have been boarded up in east room (west wall) and in original kitchen (south wall).

SITE

Orientation House faces south in typical Cape Cod manner in a well landscaped area of many evergreens, good lawn and pleasant area.

Enclosures House lot is enclosed by shrubbery, no fences.

Outbuildings Frame privy 20 yards east of house. Late garage about 50 yards east of house.

Walks, driveways Gravel drive leads from road into yard, east of house.

Landscaping Excellent planting of various types of evergreens by former owner Hansen. Present owner keeps the place well trimmed. The planting is informal.

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References

Measured drawings, Cape Cod Survey I, Eastham Field Office, Summer 1960.